

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR GENERATING ACCOUNTING DATA  
AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED  
WITH PROGRAM FOR CAUSING COMPUTER TO GENERATE  
ACCOUNTING DATA

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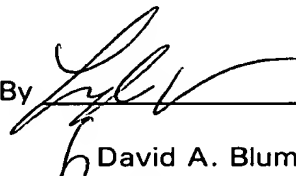
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